

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Quorum Policy  
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No business shall be undertaken by the Board of Selectmen without a quorum present. A quorum is a majority of the membership of Selectmen. Since the Board is comprised of five members, a quorum shall be three members. A majority of the quorum must vote in order to pass any action. Therefore, two members are sufficient to take action when only three members are present. However, if one of the three members present recuses him or herself for any reason, then the quorum is lost and no action can be taken. If that member does not recuse him or herself but merely decides to abstain, a 2-0-1 vote is sufficient to take action.